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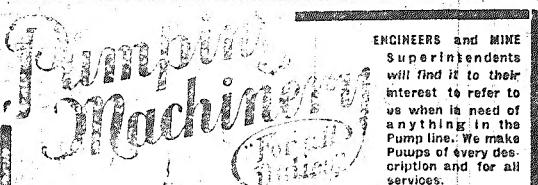
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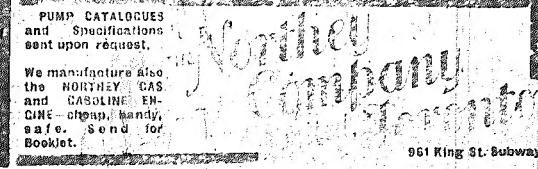
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Stock	2,000
Gardner	3,500
Hose and Johnson plate glass	800
Ontario Powder Co.	600
Forrier	2,600
	\$61,100

A LIFE'S WORK.

Computing on a mere dollar and cent basis does not give us anything like the real total of Mr. Hilliard's loss. That hotel represented his life's work. He started at the bottom, and for a score of years he metaphorically stood with a trowel in his hand, laying brick upon brick, and when he laid aside his tools last fall, he had built a beautiful modern structure. What a painter could feel when he saw his masterpiece destroyed, or a sculptor contemplating the crumbling of his ideal in Carrara marble, must be something akin to the weight of agony that strained the heartstrings of Mr. Hilliard when he saw the fire fiend holding carnival in the corridors of the building.

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THE FIRES.

Sunday night our town was visited again by a serious fire and although it comes a little hard on a few of our citizens, the bulk of the loss falls on the insurance companies, who for many years reaped a rich harvest in Rat Portage from our insuring public, and we do not think that there is any kick coming to them as they maintained for many years prior to our waterworks being established, rates that were out of all proportion to similar towns in the older portions of the province, and we are only getting back what we have been laying up with them in the past. We deeply regret the loss to the individuals, but we have not any patience with the smokers who think and state that the town can hardly recover from the losses sustained this winter.

To see what the actual loss to the town, as a town, is, we investigated the assessment roll and found that the less in the assessed value that the town will have to bear in reduced taxes this year

PORTAGE COULDN'T SCORE

Thistles Again Victorious.
Brown a Rising Star.
Score 3 to 0.

In spite of the bitterly cold weather a big crowd of spectators were present at Victoria rink last night to witness the schedule intermediate game between Portage la Prairie and the Thistles. The game as is usual with boys from Portage was a splendid exhibition of clean hockey. It was swift without being rough, and during the entire match there was only one man put on the fence. Bellied-out, and he didn't mean it.

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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

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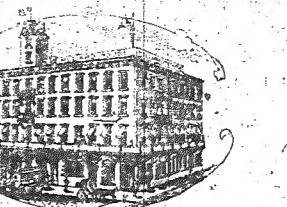
S. S. Cummins

Rat Portage Ontario

the city fire bell and, dressing quickly,
ran down stairs. By this time I learned
that the fire was in the kitchen, and
upon arrival there found a pile of fire-
wood and a small patch of the ceiling
above in flames. The cooking range
was also in flames. A hand fire-extinguisher
was requisitioned, but it was useless,
as the chemical fluid had evidently
mostly all evaporated, and it fizzled
out impotently. The night was intensely cold—about 35° below zero—and
the fire brigade seemed to be encountering
some little difficulty in laying
their hose, but the long seconds delay
had given the flames their opportunity
and they began to roll with lightning-like
rapidity between the ceiling and the
floor of the first story. I next
went upstairs and found Mr. Percival
and his staff rushing from room to
room amidst choking fumes to get

out of their houses. When they bent down
to their heads, and threw their brass
tubes into the flames, retreating hurriedly through the falling bricks
and brands until they heard the noisy
coughing and sputtering as it spat
out the ice. Haul away now, and it is
dragged expostulating, and throwing
the whirling stream over firemen and
onlookers until it is once more doing
its work in the icy grasp of the branch-
ion.

The ponderous fire wall between
the Hilliard house and the Queen's hotel
had withstood the onslaughts of the
heat so far; but now its work is
done. It has prevented both hotels
blazing up at once which would have
meant the destruction of the entire
block; perhaps, but most surely the
block on the other side of the street,
and the Russell hotel. There was a



Hilliard House Destroyed Yesterday Morning.

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high wind blowing, not a steady one,
but a shifting wind, now coming from
the south and anon from the west, but
fortunately never from the east. It is
from the south as the firewall begins
to crumble, and the Queen's hotel is
now in fire's grasp. The firemen move
north, leaving a branch or two to hold
the fire from travelling up Second
street. North of the Queen's is a 25-ft.
vacant lot where, backed by a brick
wall the firemen from the apparent
advantage of the destroyer, hanging
tenaciously to their position until they
got the outbreak under control. The
men stood there until daybreak—until
noon, and gradually relaxed their
efforts until sundown again when a
solitary stream was left playing on
the smouldering ruins. The scene to
day is a study for the subject "Desolation."
The big fire wall is leaning over
as if contemplating the ashes of the
dead. Its top is two feet farther south
than its base, and yet it stands. By
and by the rough North wind will
come and the Wall will kiss the Ashes.

Loss and Insurance.

Hilliard House	\$85,000
Guest's Effects	3,000
Stock	8,000
Queen's Hotel	12,000
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Gardiner's	5,500
Comber	800
Howe and Johnson's plate glass	700
Ferrier's	1,000
Ont. Powder Co. (P. H. Austin)	600
	\$119,000

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a fancy drill class and drillists from
the Board of Trade consisting of
Messrs. C. E. Neals and G. P. Phillips
sought permission to hold their meet-
ings in the hall. Mr. Fraser said
that the citizens had started a
subscription list to aid the girls who
were burnt out in the hotel fire, and
prayed that the mayor and council
take over the list. After these were
heard the council adjourned until
tomorrow night and went into a com-
mittee of the whole.

'CIGARETTE CATARACT.'

Marion, Ind., Jan. 28.—Fred
Whetty, a sixteen-year-old boy, was
found in an unconscious condition at a
furnace jar factory last night, is still un-
conscious, and physicians are unable
to revive him. They have used all of
the most powerful resuscitators and
have tried needles, pins and ammonia
without effect. The physicians say
the boy is a victim of a peculiar form
of catarract induced by negative
poisoning caused by sucking eggs

KEEWATIN FIRE.

The Keewatin skating rink caught
fire between half past two and three
o'clock this morning and was completely
destroyed. The owner of the
rink, Mr. Fisher, who sleeps in the
building, put a big fire in the stove
and went to bed about midnight, and the
chimney catching fire from the
stove pipe was soon a blaze. Mr. Chas. Fraser who was taking a
load of people home from a dance held
here, saw the flames as he entered the
house, and he at once raised the
alarm, and then he entered the
rink, aroused the sleeping proprietor
who might have been burnt to death,
but for Mr. Fraser's very opportune
arrival on the scene. The building
was worth \$2,000 and is insured for
\$1,500.

DEATH LURKED IN KISS.

Pittston, Pa., Jan. 28.—Ralph Barnes
of Dunys, the first victim of small-
pox in this vicinity, who died last week
was to have married today Miss Mamie
Williams, of West Pittston, another
of the small-pox victims.

Two weeks ago Barnes and Miss
Williams were together and he kissed her.
The next day she was taken
down with small-pox, and the following
day he was also victim. He died
just a week before his wedding day.

The court at London has granted a
general administrative order in the
estate of George F. Gibson, against
which his three widows filed claims.

KISSING BEE IN CHURCH.

Bingham, N. Y., Jan. 28.—The Rev.
Clarance Blackley, Pastor of the Re-
formed church in Patch Hollow, has
been much annoyed lately by the
young people of the neighbourhood
holding kissing bees during the ser-
vices in his church.

Last night the church came. The
church is one of the old-fashioned kind
and dimly lighted with kerosene lamps.
In the midst of the service loud squeaks
were heard in the rear of the room.
Then the minister exasperated, switched
off his exhortation and gave the
lovenaking young people a scathing
lecture. He talked right and left, individ-
ually and collectively. The smacking ceased, the minister crooked
off and the meeting continued unmolested.

The Hamilton Board of Trade dis-
approved of the proposed transfer of
the management of the Intercolonial
Railway to the C. P. R.

The Finance Committee of the Ham-
ilton Council is opposed to Toronto's
application to the Legislature for per-
mission to grant exemption to manu-
facturers.

Thomas Laney, M.C.B. Freeman, was
killed by a train at St. Thomas.

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THE INDIAN

A boy was sent by his mother to the barn to count the new batch of chickens. The young hopeful returned after a rather long absence and reported that there were eleven chicks which he had actually counted, but there were five others which he could not count, as they ran in and out among the eleven, and so confused the young enumerator.

The annual Report of the Dept. of Indian Affairs just received, contains a census report of our aboriginal population, and places the total number of Indians in the Dominion at 90,327. The Department acknowledges that there are many Indians who were not counted, but the Minister is not quite so ingenuous as the small boy referred to above, and the question as to how many Indians were not counted at the last census, is left in doubt. The Report however is the most interesting Blue book issued by the government. It tells everything about the Indian who is located—gives his religion and his earning capacity and his heritages.

Major Leveque rules over a little kingdom of 2,732 souls. Of these, 611 profess the Anglican form of religion, and 537 are Roman Catholic, the remainder, 1,553 are pagans. The earning capacity of the Indians of Rainy River District figured on a per capita basis, treating men, women and children all alike, is \$12.70 per annum.

Father Cahill reports to the department that he has 35 Indian children in his industrial school, but in filling in his tablet for religion, he is cautious, and makes no statement as to professions of faith, because, he has had large experience with the untutored Red, and knows that you may Christianize him and cut his hair, but he relapses into paganism on the slightest provocation—the specific point for instances. The reverend gentleman says however, that he is inculcating Christian doctrines and he hopes, etc.

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A Tennessee Trial

How a Judge Excused Himself For Discharging a Prisoner.

THE WAR NURSES.

Mr. A. G. Hales Pleads for a National Memorial for Them.

Mr. A. G. Hales, the war correspondent, pleads in Week's End for a national memorial of the services the nurses have rendered in the wars. He says: "If we ever have another war, then I hope that our purse will number hundreds where they have numbered tens this time, for they were superb, and their value was above the price of rubies. But why forget them when we are distributing honors? Why forget the statue to commemorate their splendid deeds when we are immortalizing our soldiers?" If I had the wealth of Carnegie I would place a statue in London to these women as high as Nelson's, a statue to the genius of true womanhood, and I hope to see it done. I hope to see the rich and the poor subscribe to this act of justice, and not that alone, but I hope to see a college for nurses founded, an Imperial College, where the Cape Colonial girl, the Canadian girl, the Australian and New Zealand girl, may meet their sister Englishwomen to study and learn how best to help their brothers when those brothers go to war. Such a college, richly endowed, with proper management, ought to be the finest institution that this or any other country has ever known. The women we train in peace could be used in peace for mining accidents, for plagues, for great emergencies the world over; they could be ready to stand between pain and its victims in all quarters of the earth. Nor do I think it but in the dream. There are many great and good people in this realm who would lend themselves to such a scheme. Even our sovereign lady, Queen Alexandra, might be induced to lend her hand to this. It is she, the Alexandra Home for Nurses, with the Alexandra Cross for those who go on active service, may become something more than a journalistic vision."

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UNPUBLISHED POEM BY BURNS.

The following verses were recently found among some papers belonging to the late Mrs. Barrington, who died in 1875. During a great part of her life Mrs. Barrington lived in Monmouthshire, at no great distance from Atton Court, the home of Mrs. Christie, to whom, according to the endorsement on the manuscript, the verses were addressed to Burns:

Oh, look ma, young lassie, sue softly and sweetly;
Oh, smile ma, young lassie, sue sweetly
on me!
There's noough wear to bear than the wills
chance of pity.
When grief swells the heart and the tear
fills the eye.

Just such was the glance of my Bonnie
but Nameless,
Just such was the glance that once
brightened her eyes,
But lost is the smile she impressed on my
memory.
And valid is the heart that sue dear
was to me.

I like wee flow'res we grieve to see blight-
ed,
Cerv'ing and with'ring in frost nipp'd
The first turn of spring shall awake us
of their beauty,
But never can spring waken my Nancy
again.

And was she less fair than the flow'res of
the garden?
Was she less sweet than the blossoms of
May?
Or was her cheek like the rose and
like the lily,
Like the sun's waving glace at the clos-
ing of day?

Macmillan's.

A QUESTION OF SOAP.

For Use of Soft or Hard Water Requires
More Than Hard Water.

It is commonly supposed that the use of soft water — rain water, for example — for washing purposes economizes soap. But while it is perfectly true that the lime salts in hard water combine to some extent the soap by forming insoluble lime soaps, yet the expenditure of soap at least in toilet purposes, will be found to be considerably less than when rain water is used, while the cleansing effect is just as good. The explanation of this is that soap is very readily soluble in soft water, that considerably more soap is used than is necessary. Everybody knows the slippery feeling of rain water, in which the hands have been washed with soap, and no amount of rinsing would suffice to remove the soaping from the skin. In this case it is doubtful when soap is used whether after all rain water be soft water, after all, soft rain water or soft water is better for the complexion or skin than hard tap water. It is certainly not so refreshing. In manufacturing processes, or in the wash tub, it is the use of soap in soft water is an economy. It is in this way, of course, that the addition of soda, among the processes, is in pale to say, not one is held higher in estimation by her personal friends, and the world at large, than the aged Baroness Burdett-Coutts, who, although 87 years of age, still takes the greatest and most practical interest in the many philanthropical schemes with which she is connected and is surprisingly vigorous.

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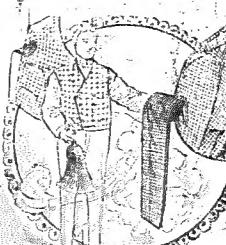
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2. Confirming on the said Municipality of the Town of Rat Portage power to take over the Electric Light System and Undertaking and Plant of the Citizens' Telephone and Electric Company of the Town of Rat Portage under the provisions of "The Municipal Act" and amending the same so far as the same affects the said Corporation.

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Dear little hands—soft and white
I listen while the sweet lips say:

"Now I'm going to sleep,
Lord, my heart goes to you,
And when I wake you'll have been
and the best is my State.

And standing by my mother mild—
Dear mother, with your hair of white—
I am a little child—
And say again as you sing:

"If I could die before I was born,
I pray the Lord my soul to take;
And half it seems in baby's place
The other half belongs back to me."

Ah me! I know my faith is true—
A phantom of the long ago—
Yet when my bairns, with voices shrill,
Repeat the words I used to know:

"Now I'm doon to sleep,
I play the Lord my soul to take,"
Some way, some way, the world durst
not dare to let me die.

The old, sweet faith comes back to me.

It comes again, the old, sweet faith—
It is my own, it is my own—
And doubtless that, the gloomy wealth,

Before baby's voice alone—
"If I could die before I was born,
I pray the Lord my soul to take;"

For baby's lisping place—
My thanks, dear Lord, my thanks to Thee.

—A. J. Waterhouse.

LAST LINKS WITH SCOTT.

one of the Reminiscences of Veteran
George Scott.

There still lives in what Lord Rose-
bery speaking in the Scottish capital, called "this Edinburgh so sacred
and beautiful to us," one who saw
Sir Walter Scott on the evening he
declared himself to be the author of
the Waverley Novels, no longer the
Great Unknown. This veteran
George Scott, distinctly remembers
the storm of enthusiasm aroused on
that occasion. He was also at Al-
berton two years later on pre-
senting duty, and had the pleasure of
saying several Scotch eyes on the
stage into, to the evident gratifica-
tion of his anglo person. Both
these events are related with pride
by Mr. Scott, whose reminiscences
make one think simple among
the new living in the year of grace
1867.

Accordingly I was shortly afterward
sipping coffee with the little Lolita,
my host's only daughter and my pet
babe me, while her mother ruled a
cigarette, lighted it and began to talk.

When we came here there was a very
wild place, and we had to endure a
number of pests. For instance, when
Lolita was a baby, my husband and
his mate went off one morning to work
as usual, and the child lay asleep on
a mat at the end of the room. Suddenly
I saw on the floor the skin of a
mouse, from which the whole body
had been sucked, as from an orange.
I knew at once that a snake must be
near, for they feed on mice and eat
them in this fashion; but, curiously enough,
I looked about and I could see no
snake, till all at once it occurred to
me that it might be under the baby's
mat. I snatched the child up and
placed her in safety. Then I lifted
softly a part of the mat, and there it
was—the long, slim, green and gold
reptile coiled up and fast asleep. Ah,
how I jumped. I ran out into the
courtyard to call for help. Luckily
my man Jose, was there, and he killed
the reptile. But as we cleared
more acres the snakes left us to hide
themselves in the forest. I began to
hope our woes were ended, but they
were only just begun. Wild beasts
now first appeared on the scene.

One morning while we were at
breakfast one of our herdsmen brought
the news that our cattle, which grazed
in the tall grass on the other side of
the river, had been attacked by a
jaguar that had killed one of the bulls.

The man who told us this had escaped
with his life, yet he would have scarcely
done so if he had not inflated the

I could not move a joint of that hand
for many weeks afterwards. The Indi-
ans gave me medicine to heal it, and
they say that after while I shall be
able to use it again. I did not need
this injury to make me remember that
day. If I were to live a thousand years,
I could not forget the few terrible moments
that I spent in the chest—moments
that seemed to comprise an age
of terror.

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Doctors not seldom give up a case, but
a mother never does. While life lasts
while there is a spark of vitality which
love's labor may fan into a flame, she
goes untiringly for the child she brought
into the world. And sometimes when
the doctors fail the mother succeeds.
She has no pretense. Any means she
will use which will save her child.

The mother's prescription given below is a cure
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The mother is a Dr. Pierce, Oldham,
an English physician and
a worthy practitioner, and had the happiness of
seeing her daughter recover to perfect
health.

As me I know my faith is true—
A phantom of the long ago—
Yet when my bairns, with voices shrill,
Repeat the words I used to know:

"Now I'm doon to sleep,
I play the Lord my soul to take,"
Some way, some way, the world durst
not dare to let me die.

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LAST LINKS WITH SCOTT.

one of the Reminiscences of Veteran
George Scott.

There still lives in what Lord Rose-
bery speaking in the Scottish capital, called "this Edinburgh so sacred
and beautiful to us," one who saw
Sir Walter Scott on the evening he
declared himself to be the author of
the Waverley Novels, no longer the
Great Unknown. This veteran
George Scott, distinctly remembers
the storm of enthusiasm aroused on
that occasion. He was also at Al-
berton two years later on pre-
senting duty, and had the pleasure of
saying several Scotch eyes on the
stage into, to the evident gratifica-
tion of his anglo person. Both
these events are related with pride
by Mr. Scott, whose reminiscences
make one think simple among
the new living in the year of grace
1867.

Accordingly I was shortly afterward
sipping coffee with the little Lolita,
my host's only daughter and my pet
babe me, while her mother ruled a
cigarette, lighted it and began to talk.

When we came here there was a very
wild place, and we had to endure a
number of pests. For instance, when
Lolita was a baby, my husband and
his mate went off one morning to work
as usual, and the child lay asleep on
a mat at the end of the room. Suddenly
I saw on the floor the skin of a
mouse, from which the whole body
had been sucked, as from an orange.
I knew at once that a snake must be
near, for they feed on mice and eat
them in this fashion; but, curiously enough,
I looked about and I could see no
snake, till all at once it occurred to
me that it might be under the baby's
mat. I snatched the child up and
placed her in safety. Then I lifted
softly a part of the mat, and there it
was—the long, slim, green and gold
reptile coiled up and fast asleep. Ah,
how I jumped. I ran out into the
courtyard to call for help. Luckily
my man Jose, was there, and he killed
the reptile. But as we cleared
more acres the snakes left us to hide
themselves in the forest. I began to
hope our woes were ended, but they
were only just begun. Wild beasts
now first appeared on the scene.

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my husband to bear witness to the
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We all thought it high time to do
something, and my husband called his
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animal.

I remember that morning distinctly.
They went away cheerfully enough,
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When I found myself with Lolita
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Suddenly I heard a scratching along
the roof, and then a dull thud, as if
something heavy had fallen.

Anxious and nervous as I was, I
started up with alarm, although I had
no presentiment what it was.

The next moment I heard just over
me a sound which I could not mistake
—long, passionate roar—a cry that I
had often heard from the woods at
night and never without feeling as if
my heart stood still. The thought rushed
through my mind, "Oh! heaven, the
jaguar!"

I shall never forget that moment!
For a second I was quite rigid and
helpless, as if life had departed, and
then a thought flashed upon me. The
jaguar was not to be kept off if he
penetrated here from the roof, for most
of the inner doorways had only draperies.
In my dining room was a great
wooden meal chest, nearly empty and
large enough to hold six or seven persons
at once. If Lolita and I could get
there, thought I, we are saved.

I seized the child, ran with her into
the dining room and shut the door.
Unfortunately it had a spring
lock, so that I was forced to hold the
lid open with my left hand to guard

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Orbital Hard to Find.

One more literary landmark follow-
ing—wipes off Clarendon of London.
This time it is the house in Greville
Street, Soho, in which Peacock died.
Even now, the picture is at work.
The street itself, from which this
monument is vanishing, has its histori-
cal associations. The house, now
used as a telephone exchange, was
Edmund Burke's, a tenant. Lord
Molyn, the duchess, and Lord
Benton lived in Macmillan's house, thence
resided in Finsbury after-
ward Earl of Macclesfield. At the
Turk's Head Inn, the famous Law
Court Club used to hold its meetings,
frequented by Mr. Johnson, Sir Jacob
Reynolds, Burke, and other cele-
brities. In a little while, the
Greville street will tell the history
of London thoroughly. At that sight
nothing more.

Still in writing.

In milking the hands should be
dry clothes. If not it is impossible to
prevent drops of milk from constantly
falling from them into the pail.

Farm, Fish, and Stockmen
The pail should be held close to the
udder, so as to expose the teats to
the air as little as possible. The
further the streams fall the more
they spray, the more difficult experi-
ence they collect. Contamination
from the foremilk must be avoided
by discarding the first few streams
drown, or less than a gillful full.

This entails little loss, as the first
milk is always poor in butterfat
and if it happens to be badly
contaminated, as is frequently the
case, much injury and trouble may

be caused.

Na, na," she answered, blushing.
"Robin could play like you, but the
minister's wife fiddles a bit before he goes
to bed."

The good man went away without
making his grand known. No minister
who played the fiddle could baptize
his bairn, so he went back to his own,
and neither fished, hunted nor played
forbidden music, and let him name the
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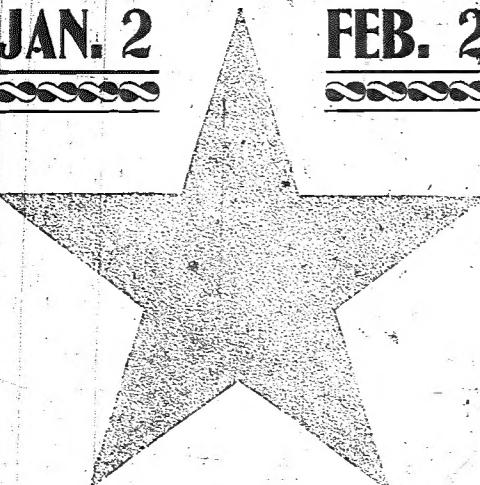
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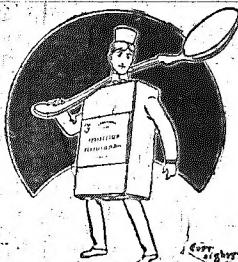
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This Great Star Sale Will Last One Solid Month From Jan. 2.

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FOR those who cannot take plain Cod Liver Oil we have all the different kinds of

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When he heard that the Hilliard house girls were without clothing, a certain bartender who does not want his name mentioned, gave them \$20.

The boys from Portage la Prairie are almost one in declaring that the Thistles should be in the senior series.

Mr. John Mulvihill and Miss Martha Hance were married yesterday morning by Father Favreau at Notre Dame Church.

Mr. Chas. Chapman of the News left yesterday morning for Winnipeg where he intends to take up permanent residence.

Miss McMurphy leaves tomorrow on trip East.

Alf Hudson had one of his feed badly cut yesterday morning while attempting to smash a plate glass window, and will be confined to the house some days as the wound is more serious than was at first thought.

Gabe Bellefeuille won two races in Montreal on Saturday, the 880 yards open and the one mile open.

The firemen missed Mr Frank Gard-

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Jim tried to work the barkeep to death, and wore the scratched patches with his red flag on the floor, but the porter came in every morning and put fresh sawdust over it, and the bartender got fatter and his diamond bigger.

Then the landlord took a look in and Jim saw his furniture on the sidewalk and the red flag at the door. Powerful things these landlord's warrants, but the landlord must be protected.

The only thing Jim cared for was Flo—Flo and whiskey, and shaking his shanks on the bar.

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Even the dead wife sells them to you likely as not bought them for real wells—even he cannot always tell by appearances.

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